

**FORM  
INSP**Rev  
X/20**State of Colorado  
Oil and Gas Conservation Commission**1120 Lincoln Street, Suite 801, Denver, Colorado 80203  
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**FIELD INSPECTION FORM**Loc ID 312404 Inspector Name: Trujillo, Aaron On-Site Inspection ☐ 2A Doc Num: \_\_\_\_\_**Operator Information:**

ECMC Operator Number: 10150

Name of Operator: BLACK HILLS PLATEAU PRODUCTION LLC

Address: 1515 WYNKOOP ST STE 500

City: DENVER State: CO Zip: 80202

**Status Summary:**

- ☒ THIS IS A FOLLOW UP INSPECTION
- ☒ FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED
- ☐ NO FOLLOW UP INSPECTION REQUIRED

**Findings:**

4 Number of Comments

1 Number of Corrective Actions

- ☒ Corrective Action Response Requested

**ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION(S) FROM  
PREVIOUS INSPECTIONS THAT HAVE NOT  
BEEN ADDRESSED ARE STILL APPLICABLE****Contact Information:**

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Kimble, Casey		casey.kimble@blackhillscorp.com	Principal Agent

**Inspected Facilities:**

Facility ID	Type	Status	Status Date	Well Class	API Num	Facility Name	Insp Status
221505	WELL	PA	08/23/2013	GW	077-08106	KATHLYN YOUNG 1-15	RI
312404	LOCATION	CL			-	KATHLYN YOUNG-610S95W 15NWSW	RI

**General Comment:**

On 5/20/2025, Western Reclamation Work Lead Trujillo and Northwest Reclamation Specialist Gaasche conducted a Final Reclamation inspection at BLACK HILLS PLATEAU PRODUCTION LLC's Kathlyn Young #1-15 location in Mesa County, Colorado.

This inspection is a follow-up to #696204941 and #696205301 to document compliance with the following corrective actions:

- Final Reclamation
- Weed Management

It was observed in this inspection that the Location remains out of compliance with ECMC Rules and Corrective Actions.

Refer to the Reclamation section of this inspection report for additional details.

Refer to the photo-documentation attached to this report.

Any corrective action(s) from previous inspection that have not been addressed are still applicable.

Location

Overall Good: ☐

Emergency Contact Number:

Comment:

Corrective Action:

Date:

Overall Good: ☐

Spills:

Type	Area	Volume		
In Containment: No				
Comment:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Spills and Releases?				

Venting:

Yes/No			
Comment:			
Corrective Action:		Date:	

Flaring:

Type		
Comment:		
Corrective Action:		Date:

Inspected Facilities									
Facility ID:	221505	Type:	WELL	API Number:	077-08106	Status:	PA	Insp. Status:	RI
The subreport 'InspWellFlowline' could not be found at the specified location \\10.14.12									
Facility ID:	312404	Type:	LOCATION	API Number:	-	Status:	CL	Insp. Status:	RI
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**Reclamation - Storm Water - Pit****Interim Reclamation:**

Date Interim Reclamation Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Interim Reclamation Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Land Use: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

**1002 SITE PREPARATION AND STABILIZATION**

1002a. FENCING \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1002b. SOIL REMOVAL AND SEGREGATION \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1002c. PROTECTION OF SOILS \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1002E. SURFACE DISTURBANCE MINIMIZATION \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1003a. Waste and Debris removed? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Unused or unneeded equipment onsite? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pit, cellars, rat holes and other bores closed? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Guy line anchors marked? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

1003b. Area no longer in use? \_\_\_\_\_ Production areas stabilized ? \_\_\_\_\_

1003c. Compacted areas have been cross ripped? \_\_\_\_\_

1003d. Drilling pit closed? \_\_\_\_\_ Subsidence over on drill pit? \_\_\_\_\_

Cuttings management: \_\_\_\_\_

1003e. Areas no longer needed for drilling or subsequent operations for have been re-vegetated to 80% of pre-existing? \_\_\_\_\_

Production areas have been stabilized? \_\_\_\_\_ Segregated soils have been replaced? \_\_\_\_\_

**RESTORATION AND REVEGETATION**Cropland

Top soil replaced \_\_\_\_\_ Recontoured \_\_\_\_\_ Perennial forage re-established \_\_\_\_\_

Non-Cropland

Top soil replaced \_\_\_\_\_ Recontoured \_\_\_\_\_ 80% Revegetation \_\_\_\_\_

## 1003e. INTERIM VEGETATION TRANSECT

TRANSECT RESULTS OF DISTURBED AREA% \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSECT RESULTS OF REFERENCE AREA% \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL % OF DESIRABLE VEGETATION COVER \_\_\_\_\_

VEGETATIVE COVER \_\_\_\_\_

1003 f. Weeds Noxious weeds? \_\_\_\_\_

Comment \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective Action \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Overall Interim Reclamation****Final Reclamation/ Abandoned Location:**

Date Final Reclamation Started: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Final Reclamation Completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Final Land Use: \_\_\_\_\_

Reminder: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_

Well plugged \_\_\_\_\_ Pit mouse/rat holes, cellars backfilled \_\_\_\_\_

Debris removed **Fail** No disturbance /Location never built \_\_\_\_\_

Access Roads Regraded **Fail** Contoured **Fail** Culverts removed \_\_\_\_\_

Gravel removed **Fail**

Location and associated production facilities reclaimed **Fail** Locations, facilities, roads, recontoured **Fail**

Compaction alleviation **Fail** Dust and erosion control **Fail**

Non cropland: Revegetated 80% \_\_\_\_\_ Cropland: perennial forage \_\_\_\_\_

Weeds present **Fail** Subsidence \_\_\_\_\_

## 1004.d. FINAL VEGETATION TRANSECT

TRANSECT RESULTS OF DISTURBED AREA% \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSECT RESULTS OF REFERENCE AREA% \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL % OF DESIRABLE VEGETATION COVER \_\_\_\_\_

VEGETATIVE COVER \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: [See "COGCC Comments" at the end of this report.](#)

Corrective Action: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Corrective actions related to good housekeeping and weed management have not been addressed and remain applicable:

Comply with Rules 1004 and 606- remove trash, unused equipment (including the various pipe, cables and debris), etc... remaining on the Location.

Pursuant to Rule 606.c, Oil and Gas Locations will be kept free of all Undesirable Plant Species.

Overall Final Reclamation

In Process

Well Release on Active Location ☐Multi-Well Location ☐**ECMC Comments**

Comment	User	Date
<b>RECLAMATION COMMENT</b>	trujilloam	06/02/2025
<p>Previous inspections observed that Final Reclamation was not completed in accordance with 1004 Rules; Location has not been recontoured/regraded and reclaimed. A soil stockpile was observed on the northern areas of the Location; segregated soils have not been replaced to their original relative positions and contoured. Undesirable Plant Species (Russian Knapweed) observed establishing on Location. Unused pipe equipment, cables, and what appears to be cement debris observed on the south and west ends of the Location; improperly stored equipment and debris requires removal. Access road has not been reclaimed. Inspection required Operator to comply with 1004 Rules (including 1004.e and 606)</p> <p>It was observed in this inspection corrective actions to comply with Rules 1004 Rules and 606 have not been taken; Location/access road has not been decompacted, recontoured/regraded and reclaimed; Undesirable Plant Species (Russian Knapweed) has not established throughout the entire on the fill slopes of the Location, and was also observed establishing along areas of the access road; weed management does not appear to be occurring. Various pipe, cables and debris have not been removed.</p> <p>Operator filed a hearings application (docket #240100017) with a 502.b surface owner variance request from ECMC Rules 1004.c. (2-3), 1004.d. and 1004.e; for the Location and access road to be left in its current state.</p> <p>The overall status of the Reclamation is being considered "in process" pending the Commission's decision, and resolution of the Variance Hearing Application.</p> <p>Corrective actions related to good housekeeping and weed management have not been addressed and remain applicable.</p>		

**Attached Documents**

You can go to ECMC Images (<https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/>) and search by document number:

Document Num	Description	URL
404225552	INSPECTION SUBMITTED	<a href="https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=7077750">https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=7077750</a>
718100538	Inspection Photos	<a href="https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=7077744">https://ecmc.state.co.us/weblink/DownloadDocumentPDF.aspx?DocumentId=7077744</a>